

## WEEKLY EPITAPH.

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This Page is from the Daily of Friday, April 14.

W. B. C. BROWN, ex-state controller of California, died from a stroke of apoplexy in Sacramento, on the evening of the 12th inst. Mr. Brown was a born politician, a man of great executive ability, with a record for purity in office and honesty of purpose second to none in the land. He was a candidate for the nomination of governor on the democratic ticket, at the time of his death, and would have been a formidable opponent had he lived.

At a meeting of the republicans held in Mineral Park last week, the Hon. Clark Churchill, chairman of the Republican Territorial Committee, being present, it was unanimously resolved that a territorial convention be held on the first Monday in June. The place decided upon for holding such convention is Phenix. This is as central a location for holding the convention as could have been selected, and the time, well, that is a little too early. July would have been better. This gives a five months' campaign, which is entirely too long and will prove too expensive considering the fact that there will be but one territorial candidate.

BUTTE CITY, Montana, has a population of from 5,000 to 7,000. It has mills of an aggregate capacity of 291 stamps, with another building of 80 stamps. Her bullion output last year is reported at \$3,000,000, and sanguine believers in the future of her mines estimate this year's yield at \$8,000,000. The principal business houses, newspaper offices, mines, etc., are connected by a well regulated system of telephones, and steps are being taken to introduce the electric light. By the foregoing it will be seen that in some things Butte is ahead of Tombstone.

GOVERNOR TRITLE has recently been the recipient of a homopathic dose of cheap notoriety in Tombstone. He was talked to, talked back and toasted. Flippant speeches by tonguey individuals in every town, village and hamlet whenever an executive officer appears, has ceased to interest the public, and has no meaning outside of political circles. No man was more slobbered over than Fremont upon entering the territory as governor, and no one was ever so cursed as he before leaving it. Almost every community has its orators who are "so instructive," and who must either talk from the stump or bust. Hence the recent titillation of Tritle in Tombstone.—Globe Silver Belt.

The above contains as many mean aspersions and insidious remarks as could well be crowded into the same space. It is possible the Belt is speaking its experience of Globe, but of one thing we can assure it, and that is that the above remarks do not apply to Tombstone. A four-minute speech of welcome can hardly be construed or distorted into a very heavy dose of "flippant slobbering."

#### PHENIX ITEMS.

From the Phenix Gazette, April 11.

Cloudy weather again and quite cool. Such a spring is phenomenal here.

Mrs. Albert Decker leaves to-morrow for the east, to take up her permanent residence.

We understand that \$1500 has been offered and refused for a one-fourth interest in the new coal discovery near Yuma. There must be something in it.

We have been experiencing a dry snow storm for several days past, in the shape of the cotton blown from our shade trees. It is almighty fine to appearance, but it is somewhat damaging to the eyes.

An Indian prisoner was brought into town this morning from Tempe, by Deputy Sheriff Edwards, and lodged in the county jail. Poor Lo appropriated a horse, the property of another, and hence his incarceration.

General Sherman has officially notified the commanding officer at Fort McDowell that he will be unable to visit that post. The committee on reception in this city can now consider themselves discharged, with the knowledge that the labor of love is never entirely lost.

The largest trees known are probably a Eucalyptus amygdalina, or "peppermint tree," growing in the Dandenong district of Victoria, Australia, which is said to measure 370 feet to the starting point of the crown, and 417 feet to the top, and another specimen of the same species, mentioned by Baron Ferdinand von Muller as having attained the height of 480 feet.

It has been affirmed that it is possible to transmit electric energy for working motors to a short distance only. M. Deprez now shows, however, that a considerable percentage of the original power may be made available at a distance as great as fifty miles.

## TELEGRAPHIC.

(Special Dispatches to the EPITAPH.)

WASHINGTON, April 14.—The senate has passed the Indian Territory railway bill.

The house has passed the senate bill appropriating \$10,000 for a monument at the grave of Jefferson.

The Land League convention adopted resolutions endorsing Irish agitation and advising passive resistance.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 14.—Captain Howgate escaped from the bailiff to-day and fled. The police of neighboring cities have been notified to be on the lookout for him.

A boiler explosion at the Western works demolished the neighboring buildings, killed six and wounded many.

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MORE DEVASTATION SOUTH. MORGAN CITY, La., April 13.—A terrible storm last night devastated this section of country. The destruction of live stock, buildings, bridges, etc., is heavy, and great loss of life is feared by the destruction of gin houses, where the flood refugees had collected.

DEMOCRATS DIVIDED. WASHINGTON, April 14.—The democrats are divided on the question of making the tariff reform an issue of the campaign, many being afraid to push it.

SINGULAR ADVENTURE OF THE CELEBRATED DOCTOR BURTON.

The Good Doctor's Kindness to the Victim of the Law—Singular Meeting in Holland.

A great number of persons who knew the celebrated Dr. Burton, have often heard him relate the following anecdote:

One day that he had procured the bodies of two criminals who had been hung, for the purpose of anatomy, not being able to find the key of the dissecting room, he ordered them to be deposited in a room contiguous to his bedroom. During the night he read and wrote late. The clock had just struck one, when all at once a dull sound proceeded from the room containing the bodies, and the doctor went to see what could be the cause of the unexpected noise. What was his astonishment, or rather his horror, on discovering that the sack containing the bodies was torn asunder, and that one of them was sitting upright in a corner.

Poor Dr. Burton at this unexpected apparition became transfixed with terror, which was increased by observing the dead and sunken eyes of the corpse fixed upon him, which ever way he moved. The worthy doctor, more dead than alive, now began to beat a quick retreat without, however, losing sight of the object of his terror. But the spectre has risen and followed him; his strength fails, the candle falls from his hand, and he is now in complete darkness.

The good doctor has, however, gained his apartment and thrown himself upon the bed, but the fearful spectre has still followed him; it has caught him and seizes hold of both his feet with both his hands. At this climax of terror the doctor loudly exclaimed: "Whoever you are, leave me!"

At this the spectre let go its hold and moaned feebly these words: "Pity, good hangman, have pity on me!"

The doctor now discovered the mystery and regained little by little, his composure. He exclaimed to the criminal who had so narrowly escaped death, who he was and prepared to call up some of his family.

"Do you then wish to destroy me?" exclaimed the criminal. "If I am discovered my adventure will become public and I shall be brought to the scaffold a second time. In the name of humanity, save me from death!"

The good doctor then rose and procured a light. He muffled his unexpected visitor in an old dressing gown, and having made him take some restoring cordial, desired to know what crime had brought him to the scaffold.

He was hanged for high treason.

The good doctor did not well know what means to employ to save the poor creature. He could not keep him in his house and to turn him out would be to expose him to certain death. The only way, then, was to get him into the country; so dressing him in some old clothes which the kind doctor selected from his wardrobe, he left the town early, accompanied by his protegee, who he represented as his assistant. When they got into the open country the wretched creature threw himself at the feet of his benefactor and liberator, to whom he swore an eternal gratitude, and the generous doctor having relieved his wants by a small sum of money, the grateful creature left him with many blessings and prayers for his happiness.

About twelve years after this occurrence Dr. Burton had occasion to visit Amsterdam. Having gone one day to the bank he was accosted by a well dressed man—one who had been pointed out to him as one of the most pious merchants of the city.

The merchant asked him politely if he were not Dr. Burton of London, and on his answering in the affirmative, pressed him to dine at his house, which invitation the worthy doctor accepted. On arriving at the merchant's house, he was shown into an

charming woman and two lovely children welcomed him in a most friendly manner, which reception surprised him the more, coming from persons whom he had never met before.

After dinner, the merchant having taken him into his counting house, seized his hand, and having pressed it with friendly warmth, said to him: "Do you not recollect me?"

"No," said the doctor.

"Well, then, I remember you well, and your features will never be obliterated from my memory—for to you I owe my life. Do you not remember the poor fellow who was hung on a charge of conspiracy for the throne of a king—for high treason, in fact? On leaving you I went to Holland. Writing a good hand, and also being a good accountant, I soon obtained a situation as clerk in a merchant's office. My good conduct and zeal soon gained me the confidence of the merchant and the affections of his daughter. When he retired from business I succeeded him, and became his son-in-law; but without you, without your care, without your generous assistance, I would not have lived to enjoy so much happiness. Generous man! consider henceforth my house, my fortune and myself as wholly yours."

The kind doctor was affected even to tears; and both these happy beings participated in the most delightful expression of their feelings, which were soon shared by the merchant's interesting family.

LOCAL SPLINTERS.

DECIDEDLY fresh to-day.

There is a telegram at the local office for J. T. Sherburne.

The eastern mail which did not arrive last night came in this morning with the western.

DIVINE services at the Presbyterian church to-night. Rev. Dr. Robertson will preach.

DEPUTY SHERIFF BREAKENRIDGE is making good progress with his assessment work in the city.

THE NEW YORK company in Empire district is reported as having made a rich development in its mine near the Total Wreck.

THE report that John Mackey has bought the controlling interest in the Total Wreck mine can not be traced to any reliable source. It would be a matter of satisfaction to all who know Mr. Mackey, to know for a certainty that he had invested in that or any other mine in the territory.

THE deputy poundmaster sallied forth yesterday afternoon with a number of under deputies and lassoed some half dozen canines, but after they were impounded, a party, in redeeming one of the dear doggies, let the whole pack out.

A special meeting of the common council will be held to-night at 7 o'clock, when the subject of the mayor's message will be considered. Mr. Clark has signified his intention of attending the session, and the townsfolk question will probably be discussed somewhat extensively.

YESTERDAY afternoon between three and four o'clock a whirlwind destroyed the rear part of a tenement house on Safford street. The owners of the house were absent from the premises when the blast did the damage, and the look of astonishment which they gave on their return was of itself amusing to the bystanders. The damage done amounted to about \$20.

INVITATIONS are out for a "Grand Invitation Ball" to be given under the auspices of Cochise Lodge No. 5, I. O. O. F., on next Wednesday evening, April 26th, at Schaeffels hall. The occasion of the ball being the sixty-third anniversary of Old Fellowship in America. The committee on arrangements, which is composed of Messrs. Lane, Frederick, Grow, Cohen, Shafter, Hatch, Archer, Vincent and Drew, will see to it that the programme is made complete, and the gathering on next Wednesday evening will no doubt be very successful.

LOCAL PERSONALS.

J. Gilligan, Esq., of Sonora, is at the Cosmopolitan.

Mr. F. V. Milliken arrived in this city to-day from Boston, Mass., and took rooms at the Cosmopolitan.

S. C. Mills, U. S. A., of Huachuca, arrived at the Grand hotel last night.

Chas. Cummings, Esq., of El Paso, Tex., is at the Grand.

A Wadsworth, of Contention, is in the city at the Grand.

A. H. Butterfield, Esq., of Sonora, Mex., is booked at the Russ house.

James Carr is at Brown's, having arrived to-day from Charleston.

Sam Danner, Esq., came in from Total Wreck last evening. He reports prospects bright for the future of that district.

James Flynn, ex-chief of police, will leave for Bacunachi, Sonora, to-morrow, where he has a rich gold mine.

Mr. W. T. Lowry will leave for Sonora to-morrow to look after the working of a rich mine that he bought on his recent trip down there.

James Hughes, formerly foreman of the Copper Queen smelter, has gone to Russellville, to take charge of the smelter of the Russell Mining Company of that place.

Proceedings of Board of Supervisors.

TOMBSTONE, April 13, 1932.

The Board of Supervisors met at 10 a. m. Present—Chairman Joyce and Supervisor Tusker.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

It was ordered that the plans and specifications for the court house and jail be kept in the office of Frank Walker, Gird Building, Fremont street, for the inspection of any and all parties who may desire to submit bids for the erection of the same. It was further ordered that the tax collector and county treasurer make their regular quarterly report next Monday, and that the tax collector furnish the bonds required by the board.

Upon motion the board adjourned until 10 a. m., Monday, April 17, 1932.

RICHARD BUTTE, Clerk of Board.

## FACTS OF HISTORY.

"Truth Crushed to Earth Shall Rise Again."

Contemporaneous Opinions and Statements Revised and Corrected.

In Answer to Numerous Requests Made Upon the Epitaph.

There have been numerous requests made to the EPITAPH that it republish certain articles that have appeared in contemporaneous journals, as well as its own columns, in relation to the more recent difficulties that have happened here in Tombstone. In answer to that request a few facts, in correction of certain events alleged to have taken place, will be given in addition to the called for articles. If these facts throw new light upon the subject, or place anyone in an unpleasant position, they must blame themselves for allowing false, or exaggerated reports to give them a momentary notoriety in a community that was destined to get at the cold, naked truths of history, sooner or later. In subserving the ends of justice and correcting the pages of history it will not be necessary to begin further back than with the issue of the Nugget, of March 21st, which contains an account of the return of the sheriff's posse from their last and most protracted pursuit after the Earp party.

THE NUGGET'S VERSION:

The sheriff's posse returned from the pursuit of the Earp party yesterday evening at 5 o'clock. The bronzed and weather beaten appearance of the posse—more especially of Sheriff Behan and Under Sheriff Woods—was ample proof of the arduous and exhausting nature of the trip which had just been brought to an unsuccessful termination.

The posse left Tombstone Monday morning at 5 o'clock, numbering 15 men all told, including the sheriff and under-sheriff. The trail of the fugitives was struck by the pursuers four miles from town, and led in the direction of Summit station, in Dragon pass, to which point the posse proceeded with all possible speed, fearing that the Earp party had boarded a passing train at the station and left the country. Arriving there, however, it was determined that the fugitives had crossed the railroad and proceeded north toward Hooker's ranch. The pursuers immediately pushed forward, and camped near Winchester district point of mountain Monday night. They started early Tuesday morning, and arrived at Hooker's at 7 a. m., where it was learned that the party they were in quest of had been there the day previous and had left on Monday evening. The proprietor of the ranch, who refused to impart any information concerning the direction taken by his willom guests of the day before, said he didn't know and wouldn't tell if he did know, and concluding by saying, "D—n the officers and d—n the law." He furnished the posse with food for themselves and animals, for which he received liberal compensation—but positively refused to accept them as his guests. It was also learned by Sheriff Behan that "tiping" had been joined the Earps, and that Hooker had outfitted the entire party with provisions, fresh horses, etc., etc. After breakfast at the ranch, and being unable to discover the trail of the fugitives, Behan and Woods started for Fort Grant, 25 miles distant, with the intention of securing the services of government scouts as trailers, the remainder of the posse meanwhile continuing their efforts to discover the trail in the mountains west and north of Hooker's. On arrival at Grant, Colonel Biddle, who was in command, received our country officials with great cordiality, but informed them that the Indian scouts had been ordered discharged only a few days previous. Sheriff Behan offered \$200 reward, but the much coveted assistance of the sleuths like Apaches could not be obtained. The discomfited officials then retraced their way to Hooker's, when, on trace of the lost trail having been discovered in their absence, the entire posse took horse and departed for Eureka Springs, at the head of Aravaipa Canyon. They remained there until Wednesday morning, and becoming satisfied that the fugitives had not effected their escape in that direction, again returned to Hooker's. The Graham county cattleman was not quite so reticent as on the former visit of the posse. He now informed the sheriff that the Earp party was much the better armed, and in case of an encounter would undoubtedly get away with the sheriff and his posse. The mountains to the south of Graham county were thoroughly scouted for the fugitives, and none being found, they proceeded to Winchester district, where camp was made for the night and three fresh horses obtained, and from there the return trip was made yesterday.

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